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SUBJECT: OPRED - PERSONNEL STAFFING TO SUPPORT GOM NARCOTICS
ERADICATION PROGRAM

REF A. MEXICO 5333; B. BERNAL/WAMPLER TELCON JUNE 15;
C. STATE 77234

1. PRESENT AND FUTURE USG ASSISTANCE EFFORTS IN THE INTENSIFIED ERADICATION CAMPAIGN FOCUS ON THE PROGRESSIVE IMPROVEMENT AND EVENTUAL SOPHISTICATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AERO SERVICES. THE MIX OF AIRCRAFT CONSISTS OF 60 PERCENT ROTARY WING WITH A FORECAST INCREASE TO 75 PERCENT BY END OF CY75. AS NOTED RE A, DURING RECENT TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS WITH AG AERO SERVICES CHIEF THE IMPERATIVE NEED FOR A ROTARY WING PILOT INSTRUCTOR WAS underscored AS A QUALIFICATION OF HIGHEST PRIORITY, IN ADDITION TO OTHER QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE SAME POSITION, AS FOLLOWS:

A. LICENSED COMMERCIAL PILOT, HELICOPTER AND AIRPLANE SINGLE ENGINE, LAND.

B. EXTENSIVE UTILITY AND OBSERVATION HELICOPTER PILOT EXPERIENCE, TO INCLUDE:

1. TROOP AND PERSONNEL TRANSPORT OPERATIONS
2. EXTERNAL LOAD OPERATIONS
3. AERIAL SPRAY APPLICATION

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4. MOUNTAIN OPERATIONS

5. MILITARY OR PARA-MILITARY HELICOPTER TACTICAL OPERATIONS.

C. EXPERIENCE IN MANAGING AND DIRECTING ROTARY WING ASSETS TO INCLUDE AIRCRAFT AND AIRCREW SCHEDULING, BUDGETING, DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES AND AVIATION SAFETY.

2. GIVEN THE HIGH PRIORITY ACCORDED THE MEXICAN NCAP, WE WANT TO BE SURE OF OBTAINING THE BEST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE FOR ASSIGNMENT TO THE NARCOTICS ASSISTANCE UNIT. THE EMBASSY THEREFORE REQUESTS THAT SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO NOMINATION OF AVIATION OPERATIONS ADVISOR RUDY HALL FOR SUBJECT POSITION. HALL HAS PERFORMED NUMEROUS AND LENGTHY TDY ASSIGNMENTS SINCE AUGUST 74, DEVELOPED GOOD RAPPORT WITH AG AERO SERVICES OFFICERS AND HAS ACQUIRED IN-DEPTH KNOWLEDGE OF AERO SERVICES OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DEFICIENCIES. ADDITIONALLY, HALL HAS BEEN A KEY MEMBER OF JOINT STUDY GROUPS WHICH DEVELOPED THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE IMPLEMENTED.

3. DESIRABLE FOR INCUMBENT TO ARRIVE AT POST NLT AUGUST 15.

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